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Union Hall.

Several people here attended court at Irvine Monday.

Willie Rogers is very sick at this writing with croup.

Saturday and Sunday are Bro. T. P. Edwards' regular meeting days.

W. P. Wise, merchant of this place, went to Irvine Tuesday on business.

Tilden Risen, who has been at work at Dan Tiptons on Black creek, has returned home.

Elder Sherman Robbins held regular meeting at Cow Creek church Saturday night and Sunday.

Miss Winie Pasley, daughter of A. M. Pasley, who has been staying at F. R. Davidsons at Irvine has been visiting friends and relatives here the last few days.

Hoed Wise, merchant of this place, has sold his entire stock of goods to his father, W. P. Wise, and he is now situated at Dry Ridge with a nice line of Dry goods and groceries.

The Democrats of the 28th Senatorial district have called a primary election to be held June 15. The entrance fee has been fixed at \$1,000 or about twice as much as the office pays. The district is composed of Montgomery, Clark and Bourbon counties.

Asa Todd, of Spout Spring, has moved to the Martin farm on Snow Creek. Mr. Todd is one of Powell county's leading farmers and we are glad that he will not leave the county.

It will pay you to look at our line of Men's, Boys' and Youth's Clothing before making your purchase. Hardwick & Co., Stanton.

To Build Electric Railroad.

Articles of incorporation were filed at Frankfort Tuesday for a complete traction system to connect Cincinnati, Louisville, Lexington and Maysville. The road is incorporated at \$10,000,000 and the promoters, who are chiefly Grant county men, say they have backing of Eastern capital to build the road. The proposed line will tap the rich white Burley tobacco district of the State in several places where there is no railroad of any description. Some 250 miles of track is proposed to be built by the promoters.

Negro Lynched.

Ben, alias "Booker" Brame, a negro, eighteen years of age, was lynched Friday by a mob of between 200 and 300 farmers for attempting to assault Miss Ruth Gee, seventeen-year-old daughter of William Gee, a prominent Trigg county farmer. After an all-night search the mob located Brame, who was carried before Miss Gee and positively identified. The mob carried Brame to Flat Lick, near the Trigg and Christian county line, and hanged him to a tree.

An exchange says: Small men with small purposes do not help to make a town lively and progressive. The man who never contributes to public enterprise or voluntarily assists in supporting any of the public enterprises is not worth coaxing to remain in a town, and should he decide to move out it is always a matter of congratulation. It's units and not mere ciphers that counts for something. "Be a unit."

Night riders have broken loose in Indiana and are said to be informing tenants that they must not give the landlords in the vicinity of Washington more than one-third of the crop.

An Improvement Association.

While all the towns around us are forming associations of their business men for the purpose of improving the towns, what is the reason that Clay City can not have one? It will cost nothing to meet once in two or four weeks and talk over the situation. While it might not do much to boom the town, yet we should get better acquainted with one another and with one another's wants and wishes. A community of spirit creates an enthusiasm which is very apt to display itself in some direction. The old saying that everything comes to him who waits, may have been true in the old time, but under the spirit of the present age if a person wants a thing he must go after it. We believe there is a go-ahead spirit enough in town to carry an improvement association through to good results if it were only started; and we also believe that after it was fairly started the good effects of it would be felt immediately. Perhaps not as some cities have done in getting great branches of industry to settle here, but in plans for beautifying and improving what we have, and in being ready to embrace opportunities, if any should come. An association of this kind, it seems to us, would be pleasant and profitable, even if not much in the way of "boom" came from it. Will not some of the business men make a move in the matter?

A Just Remonstrance.

No wonder tobacco raisers rise up and try to smite trusts hip and thigh. It is stated that the business in the entire country is in the hands of ten men, and the annual statement of the trust shows that the surplus after paying of preferred dividends, was \$18,550,334 equal to 46.9 per cent, on the \$40,242,400 common stock, which compares with 42.4 per cent, in 1907.—State Journal.

Much of the Fruit Killed.

Most of the peaches, pears and early plums were killed the last of the week by the freezes which were pretty heavy for this time of the year, three nights. The apple crop is still safe. The theory that fruit cannot be killed when blooms in the light of moon is now exploded, but by next year this theory will be revived and many who will have forgotten the past will say, "I never knew it to fail."

A Card of Thanks.

We wish to thank our kind friends and neighbors for the assistance and sympathy given us during the illness and death of our dear husband and father; also for the beautiful floral offerings.

Mrs. D. P. Rose and Children.

The Clay City Base Ball park has been repaired and put in fine condition for ball playing soon as the season opens in the Spring. A strong team will be organized when it is expected some fine games will be pulled off with the former number of laurels coming their way.

A Negro Fight.

George Smethers and John Prewitt, both of color, got a little too much liquor Saturday night and on their road home engaged in a difficulty in which Prewitt was pretty badly cut, though not seriously.

A child was born to Mr. and Mrs. Letcher Dalton, of West Bend Sunday. Mrs. Dalton died Monday of lock jaw. Besides her husband she leaves one other little child. Before her marriage Mrs. Dalton was a Miss Berry.

The street committee is advertising for bids on hauling slate on the streets. We learn it is the intention of the City Council to pike the main street from the Hardwick's Creek road to the Waltersville bridge.

The temperance people of the State have called a meeting of its forces in Louisville April 20th and 21st to discuss ways and means of organizing a State-wide prohibition movement.

The second story of the Clay City National Bank is being fitted up for the use of a Lodge room to be occupied by the Royal Arch Masons and some of the other orders.

Butler Stuart has moved back from Honaker, Va. where he has been employed by a big lumber concern for some time. The firm recently failed and the plant closed down.

Marshal Johnson will convey today a prisoner by the name of Stuart to the Estill authorities at Irvine where he broke jail last week.

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Great Decrease in Earnings.

The annual report of the railroads of the country will this year show a loss of over \$330,000,000 in gross receipts over the exceedingly prosperous year ending in June 1907. The loss last year was \$164,464,941 in gross earnings. If the panic should thus continue for a few years longer at this rate of decrease we will soon have to take it a foot when we go very far.

May wheat has made another jump, this time to \$1.28½. Last year the same wheat was worth but 92 cents. Persons who have not got their supply of flour will now feel the effect of the price when they buy the next.

President Taft has instructed Director North, of the Census Bureau, to disregard party lines in securing suitable men under the new census act. The instructions, it was said, have especial reference to the South.

Denver reports another heavy fall of snow, the forty-fourth since the beginning of winter. At Cripple Creek Monday night the mercury was six degrees below zero.

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